

Saudi Arabia Transit Visa Guide for Cruise Passengers

Ensure a smooth journey by applying for your **Transit Visa** *before* embarkation. Follow these **updated steps** carefully:

Step 1: Visit the Official Visa Portal

Go to <https://ksavisa.sa/>.

 **Only use this official website** to avoid scams.

Step 2: Select Your Visa Type

1. On the **landing page**, select:
 - **Visa Type: Transit**
 - **Sub-type: Sea Transit Visa**
 2. Click **“Apply”** to proceed.
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Step 3: Create/Register an Account

1. **Sign up** with your email and a secure password.
2. Verify your **email address** and **phone number** (check inbox/spam for codes).
3. **Log in** using the verification code sent to your email.


The account can be used to create more visa applications for family / friends

Step 4: Complete Visa Details

Fill in all fields marked with a red *****. *Ignore non-required fields.*

- **Personal Details:**
 - **First & Last Name:** Enter in **English** (as per passport).
 - **Photo:** Upload a **clear headshot** (face visible).
 - **KSA Home Address:** Write **“Cruise Terminal”** or similar.

- **Visa Details:**
 - **Visa Type:** Select **Transit**.
 - **Transport Mode:** Choose **By Sea**.
 - **Port Name:** Select **King Abdulaziz Seaport**.
 - **Expected Entry Date:** Enter your **cruise arrival date** (e.g., 13/04/2025).

 **Double-check all entries** before clicking “**Confirm**” at the end!

Step 5: Medical Insurance Address

1. After saving visa details, you’ll be directed to the **Medical Insurance page**.
 2. Fill in your information:
 - If you don’t have a **P.O. Box**, enter “**12345**” as a placeholder.
 3. Complete remaining fields and click “**Save**”.
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Step 6: Select Medical Insurance

1. Choose an insurance provider from the list.
 - Prices range from **\$4 to \$65** (coverage varies).
 2. Select your preferred option and click “**Save**” to proceed to payment.
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Step 7: Payment

1. **Visa Cost:** Starts at **\$24** (varies with insurance choice).
 2. Click “**Pay**” and use:
 - **Internationally recognized credit card** (Visa/Mastercard)
 - **Apple Pay** (if available).
 3. Ensure payment confirmation is received.
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Step 8: Submit & Await Approval

1. **Save your application confirmation.**
 2. **Processing Time:** Apply **1-3 weeks** before your cruise.
 3. **Visa Issuance:**
 - Issued **24–48 hours before arrival** at the Saudi port.
 - Sent via **email**; your cruise ship will also receive copies.
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Important Notes

- **Visa Type:** Select **Transit**.
 - **Transport Mode:** Must select **By Sea**.
 - **Immigration Check:** Keep a **printed/digital visa copy** to show at the counter.
 - **Passport Validity:** Must be valid for **6+ months** beyond your travel date.
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Before Going Ashore in Dammam Checklist

- ✓ Visa approved and printed/digital copy ready?
 - ✓ Passport valid for **6+ months**?
 - ✓ Confirmation of medical insurance?
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Smooth Sailing Tips

- Apply early to avoid last-minute stress.
- Check spam folders for visa emails.